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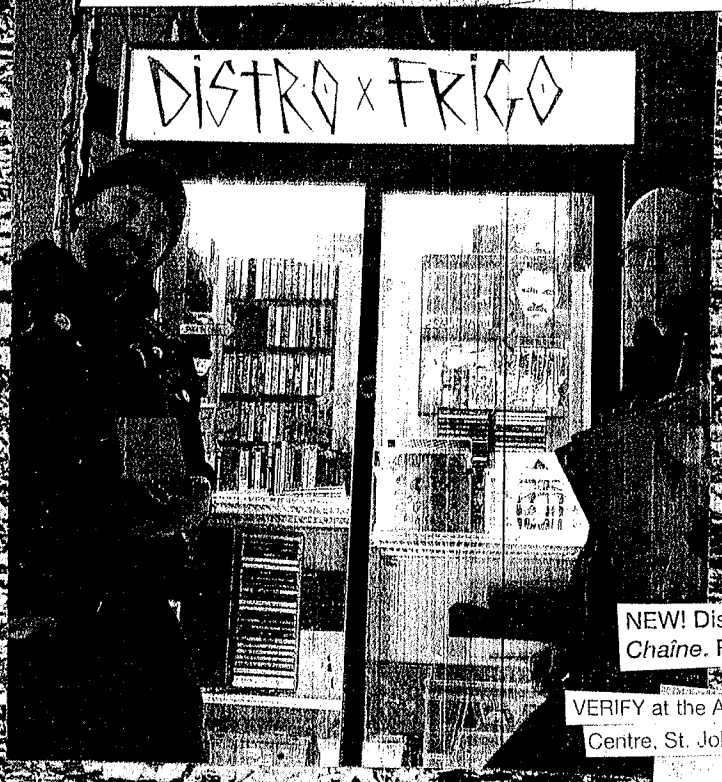

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Distro-Frigo is an old repurposed fridge which holds vinyls, tapes, and CDs. Find the latest crunchy new demos and albums from local bands. Looking for some good ol' second hand classics? We got 'em: punk, reggae, rock 'n' roll, whatever. Guess what? We also have a selection of fiction, non-fiction, and radical-left literature. This is for you, a project to share music and ideas, a space to feed your thoughts and your ears. Come and meet us during shows and events at the Bâtiment 7.

NEW! Distro-frigo at Tapage will be a distribution point for *La Chaîne*. Find the new issue there at the beginning of each month.

VERIFY at the Anna Templeton Centre, St. John's NL

TYPEFACE + LOBOTOMITE at Ralph's House, Charlottetown PEI (congrats on your engagement, Riley and Tristan!)

Montreal Punk Invades the Maritimes: April 2024 Tours Roundup by Taylor

Four Montreal punk bands headed east for tours this past month: ONE TRACK MIND, TYPEFACE, LOBOTOMITE and VERIFY (my band). LOBOTOMITE and TYPEFACE were touring together, but all the others were planned totally independently of each other – luckily nobody overlapped or seemingly stepped on each others toes. From my own experiences and accounts I've heard from others, everyone made it home in one piece AND had some crazy and memorable shows.

I don't think any of us planned these tours explicitly in response to the U.S.'s further slide into right-wing authoritarian hell, but given the increasingly anti-trans and anti-immigrant climate south of the border, some punks are feeling like crossing into the U.S. to play shows isn't a viable option. If you're ready to tour but the U.S. is no-go, or you're sick of Ontario, Atlantic Canada is definitely a move! The energy in a lot of the scenes out there seems to be on an upswing right now, and there are some incredibly dedicated people who are holding it down, booking shows and making shit happen.

All three tours hit the same major places: Fredericton, Charlottetown and Halifax, and had a great time. VERIFY also played a small town in rural Nova Scotia where we had friends who were willing to book us a wildcard gig (highly recommend), and then we also continued on and played shows in Newfoundland (also highly recommend).

ONE TRACK MIND (with tourmates BREAKNECK from Halifax)

The drive out to Fredericton is a bit long (7ish hours, not that much longer than Montreal–Toronto, when you factor in traffic), but once you get there, all the bigger cities are only 3-4 hours apart. If you're planning a tour like this, you could also try to get a show somewhere like Québec City on the way out or back to break it up a bit.

Go to Newfoundland. It's far but it's so, so worth it. There are solid people booking shows in both Corner Brook and St. John's, and they'll do two shows in each place (all ages show + a bar show) to try and make the long drives/ferry ride worth it. Not only were these some of the most enthusiastic crowds I've ever played to, it's also up there as far as most beautiful places I've ever been.

Obviously I can't guarantee anything, but in our experience people were really excited to support out of town bands by coming out to the show, dancing hard and buying merch. Tour isn't about making money, but if you are nice people and your band doesn't suck you will almost definitely be able to cover your costs touring this region!

Coming soon: a more in-depth tour reportback and tips for touring Atlantic Canada on THE-COUNTERFORCE.ORG

MAY IS THE MONTH OF ANARCHY

Vendredi 2 mai – Friday May 2

SSGS, SPITE HOUSE, BLURRY EYES, MALCOLM BAULD, REDSEAL @ Turbo Haus – 8pm/20h – $20

VOID BRINGER (Vermont), SHEEP DESTROYER CREW, ASHBREATHER, DENATURIZED, HAKAPIK @ Thrash Can* – 8:30pm/20h30 – $10

MULCH, GLOIN (Toronto), POWERDROP @ La Toscadura – 21h – $20

Samedi 3 mai – Saturday May 3

CKUT funding drive show ft. PUBERTY WELL, SHUNK, STEEPLE, OBJECT OF LOATHING, ONE DAY BENDER @ La Toscadura – 8pm/20h – $20 NOTAFLOF

DEAD TIRED (Hamilton), MELT AWAY (Toronto), PSYCHIC ARMOUR @ Turbo Haus – 8pm/20h – $20

STAB, PYROCENE DEATH CULT, ANNA PEST + Burlesque/ Drag Show @ Thrash Can* – 8pm/20h – $15 NOTAFLOF

Vendredi 9 mai – Friday May 9

POSTLUVEN (Terrebonne), PAINSAW (Fredericton), S.O.I.F. (Quebec), FAST IDLE @ Thrash Can* – 9pm/21h – $15

Samedi 10 mai – Saturday May 10

NNB benefit ft. DUREX, RECALL, SISTEMA DE MUERTE, ANEANTIX (first show) @ La Toscadura – 8pm/20h – $20

Samedi 17 mai – Saturday May 17

CORROSIVES (Buffalo), DEADBOLT, LIFELINE, WAYS OF HIDING @ Blue Dog – 9pm/21h – $15

Mercredi 21 mai – Wednesday May 21

PERESTROIKA, THE POX, SMALL PLEASURES (Victoria) @ La Sotterenea – 9pm/21h – $15

Vendredi 23 mai – Friday May 23

TOTAL NADA, FUCKIN' LOVERS (Philadelphia), INVISIBLE CITIES (NYC), PSYCHIC ARMOUR, RECALL @ La Sotterenea – 8pm/20h – $20

WORTH (Providence), PAIN APPENDIX (Atlanta), JUTE, TASKMASTER, P.I.T., FRÉDÉRICK MAHEUX @ Bates Motel – 8pm/20h – $15 PWYC

Samedi 24 mai – Saturday May 24

Varning benefit ft. METALIAN, WARKRUSHER, PORTAL TOMB, PIED-DE-BICHE @ Pirahna Bar (heaven) – 7pm/19h – $20

Vendredi 30 mai – Friday May 30

NØ MAN (D.C.), LOBOTOMITE, TYPEFACE @ Turbo Haus – 20h/8pm – $20 NOTAFLOF

Mardi 3 juin – Tuesday June 3

COMBUST (NYC), BIG BOY (San Jose), STEAMROLL (NYC), APEX PREDATOR (Seattle), YEARS OF LEAD @ La Toscadura – 7pm/19h – $20 AA

MORE SHOWS, MORE INFO: ASKAPUNK.NET

*fka La Biu, fka TraXide • All times listed are door times

CONSTELLATION ANARCHIST FESTIVAL

May 15-21, 2025 *– Workshops and events (in french and english) are taking place around the city all week. For full info and a calendar of events, visit* ***constellationmtl.net***

Saturday May 17 – Bookfair @ CÉDA
Sunday May 18 – Skill Faire @ CÉDA

Practical workshops/skillshares including: Auto mechanics, Screenprinting, Guerilla grafting, NADA, Compassionate overdose response, Cut-and-paste posters, Prepping, Lockpicking, HRT, Singing, Soldering, Mesh networks, Herbal abortion + MORE

Presentations about: AI, Rural Anarchism, Cancer, Tenant organizing, Anti-authoritarianism, Militancy/violence, History of struggles, Book discussions, Opacity, Discussion with Nehirowisiw Land Defenders, Games, Anarchist Fiction + MORE.

COMING SOON...

NOISE NOT BORDERS August 1-2, 2025

Stay tuned for the full festival line-up announcement very soon, but in the meantime... BELIEVERS presale passes are available until May 31st!

Fest pass: $50 // Single day (Friday or Saturday): $30

Interac or PayPal funds to: noisenotborders@gmail.com

When sending the funds just make sure to give us your name and specify which option you're taking. Or you can pick up physical tickets at our benefit show on MAY 10th @ La Toscadura. We appreciate your support.

NOISE NOT BORDERS. RUIDO SIN LIMITES.

A VARNING FROM MONTREAL XVII
September 11-13, 2025

2025 lineup announced, tickets available May 15: FLOWER (NYC), DISTURD (Japan), TRÄUME (Warsaw), FLORES NUCLEARES (CDMX), YELLOWCAKE (Phoenix), REAKTÖRI (Vancouver), LANGUID (Edmonton), LIFELESS DARK (Boston), INNOCENT (Boston), MIRAGE (NYC), HEDONIST (Vancouver), CELL DETH (PEI), EXTENSIVE SLAUGHTER (Vancouver), INVERTEBRATES (Richmond), PUFFER, EPAULET (Toronto), CROSS (NYC), BLOODIED ANGELS (Boston), WARKRUSHER, HIGH ANXIETY (Ontario) ... So stoked for Varning this year, unreal lineup. Shoutouts to the real punk operatives who liberated this information from behind the login walls of evil Meta platforms.

La Chaîne est une infolettre mensuelle et un calendrier de shows de la scène punk DIY Montréalaise. Envoyez-nous vos contributions en français et/ou en anglais; les annonces de spectacles punk/hc, les photos, les dessins,les critiques et les petits annonces. (Soumettre un article n'est pas une garantie de la publication.)

La Chaîne is a monthly newsletter and show calendar from the Montreal DIY punk scene. Send us your submissions in french and/or english: punk/hc show announcements, photos, drawings, reviews and classified ads. (Submission does not guarantee publication.)

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